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HILLIER ADVISES COUNCIL TO FORGET ABOUT TEAM

Special Session of Council was a "Very Harmonious" one, Till Coun. Hillier Hurled a "Bomb" Into its Midst

CEMETERY RATES

Orders for Spray Placed and Municipal Spray Waggon Will do the Work for the Ratepayers if they so Desire it

The sudden demise of one of the town's newly acquired horses a week ago caused a special session of the town council to be called on Wednesday night last, when another "Very Harmonious" session was held.

Councillor Hillier hurled another bomb into the council camp, when he moved the following motion: "That the one horse owned by the town be sold and dump wagon and dump cart be returned to the people purchased from; also harness and that a team be forgotten for a village of 1900 people." The motion did not secure a second and therefore was lost.

Councillor Marsh then stepped into the breach and moved a motion, seconded by Bourne: "That Councillor Randall and Clerk Bromley be a committee to go to Toronto or elsewhere, with all power to buy another horse or team if they can't match the horse we now have, and to act at once." The motion carried unanimously.

March—Randall—That the order for spray for the town for 1917 be divided equally between J. J. George and the Ontario and Western Co., their prices being equal. Carried.

March—Houle—That the ratepayer who wishes the town council to do their spraying can have same done by applying at once to Mr. Bromley, Supt. of Works. Carried.

The question of raising the rates for lots in Queen's Lawn Cemetery came up for discussion and were finally set.

Council adjourned.

BILLY SUNDAY AGAINST KAISER

Billy Sunday, speaking in Buffalo, had this much to say about Germany and the war:

"Jesus, you're sure taking a lot of back talk from the Kaiser. I wish, Lord, you'd tell America to wipe Germany off the map, even as you commanded Israel to destroy the corrupt and idolatrous Canaanites."

"And I'll turn that New York tabernacle into a recruiting station if congress'll only say the word."

"Jesus shall be our commander, and he has von Hindenburg beaten to a frazzle."

TARVIA ROAD COST \$10,000 PER MILE

Editorial—New York State roads and roads have been shattered and broken by the figures presented last week to the County Council, as the cost of building the two miles of Tarvia road in Clinton and Louth Townships last fall by the Queenston and GRIMSBY Stone Road Committee.

The cost of construction of this piece of road, which was an experimental project was \$19,732.04. Roughly speaking \$20,000 and was made up as follows:

Curb and gutter.....	\$1045.25
Tile drain.....	1215.10
Spreading, rolling, etc.....	2126.62
Hauling and Labor.....	3389.98
Tarvia.....	5962.90
Stone.....	5973.64
Culverts.....	145.15
Total.....	\$19,732.04

The road in question was built on that portion of the Q. & G. Road across 21, 22 and 23 Concession 4, Louth Township and Lots 1 and 2 Concession 5, Clinton Township.

When it was decided by the County Council and the Q. & G. Committee last spring to build a piece of Tarvia road as an experiment, several members of the Council with Engineers and Mr. McLean the Government Road Engineer spent three days inspecting roads of the same kind in New York state. While on this trip they were in charge of New York State Road engineers and were given all the information as to cost, stability, building and maintenance that the New Yorkers possessed.

When the work of constructing the new road commenced Peter Robertson, now superintendent of the Q. & G. Committee, took personal charge of the work. It was under his supervision that the road was built, and while he did not doubt that what the man did job to the very best of his ability.

Where the high cost of constructing this road comes in, we do not know. Mr. George Hougher of the Government staff estimated that Tarvia road could be laid for \$5,000 a mile at the outside. Mr. McLean, Chief Government Engineer estimates that Tarvia road can be laid for \$4,000 a mile, while the Tarvia manufacturers only estimate the cost at \$7,500, yet Lincoln County had to pay \$10,000 a mile.

Tarvia road is nothing more than a mixture of stone and tar, mixed thoroughly in the right proportions and laid much after the fashion of cement but it has not nearly the wearing qualities or the stability that cement has.

At \$10,000 a mile Lincoln County could have laid a permanent cement roadway, for but very little more money. Supt. Bromley laid close to a third of a mile of cement pavement in GRIMSBY at the rate of less than \$10,000 a mile and we cannot see why Lincoln cannot do the same, without wasting their money at the same ratio for a much more inferior article.

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COSBY—At his home at Winslow, Ont., on Sunday, March 25, 1917, Eli B. Cosby, in his 55th year.

MERRITTON ISSUES AN INJUNCTION; COUNTY COUNCIL WILL FIGHT

County's New Good Roads System and Building of Permanent Cement Highway Does not Suit Eastern Village Officials—Recent Good Roads By-law is the Subject of the Assault.

In issuing a writ against the County of Lincoln to restrain the Council from proceeding with its good roads programme, Merritton has opened up an interesting feature in municipal matters. The writ was served on Warden Claus on Monday, but news of the matter did not spread around till Tuesday afternoon. Merritton holds the by-law is illegal and ultra vires. Ingersoll and Kingstone are acting for Merritton and A. Marquis is solicitor for the County.

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Monday a joint meeting of the councils of St. Catharines and of the county was held, and various features of the big scheme were discussed and the basis of cost was explained by the Deputy Minister of Highways, A. W. McLean of Toronto. Everything seemed to be harmonious but to-day's issuance of an injunction against the whole work has opened up the question as to whether County Councils are entitled to undertake such programs under the authority framed by the Highway Act, and under which other municipalities are proceeding.

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5. (1) A county council may from time to time while carrying out a plan of highway improvement under this Act, by by-law make grants to any township in any county equitably by a system of county highways, such plan may provide for compensation to any township which by reason of the location of such highways or if the unequal distribution of the expenditure thereon may not benefit proportionately by a grant of such specific amount, as may appear to be just and equitable.

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Warden Claus was interviewed Saturday morning in connection with the writ issued by Merritton upon the County in connection with their Good Roads System. The warden expressed confidence that the County would win the case which will be heard in the local Court House. The writ is to restrain the County from proceeding with its good roads programme. Merritton holding that the by-law is illegal and ultra vires. The question that Merritton wants settled is whether County Councils are entitled to undertake such programmes under the act recently framed by the Highway Department and under which other municipalities are proceeding.

The legality of the proceedings of the Lincoln County Council, Warden Claus maintains is shown by the following section of the Highway Act under which the County formed its programme of good roads.

An act for the improvement of Public Highways, R. S. O. 1914, C. 46. Section 4. (1) The council of any county may by by-law adopt a plan for the improvement of highways throughout the county by assuming highways in any municipalities in the county in order to form or extend a system of county highways, designating the highways to be assumed and improved and extended to form or be added to such system; and in case it is impracticable to benefit all the townships in any county equitably by a system of county highways, such plan may provide for compensation to any township which by reason of the location of such highways or if the unequal distribution of the expenditure thereon may not benefit proportionately by a grant of such specific amount, as may appear to be just and equitable.

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TRAFFIC CONGESTION ARRIVES WITH SPRING

Spring is here once more and so is the traffic congestion on Main St. and in another month it will be worse still.

For over two years now the INDEPENDENT has been agitating for a traffic by-law to regulate the traffic on Main St., but up to the present time our worthy town fathers have not seen fit to put such an ordinance into operation, badly as it was needed.

Traffic congestion on Main St. during the Spring, Summer and Fall months is very bad and has been getting worse every year but still no action has ever been taken by any body of men who have filled the seats around our Council board. Summer will soon be here and with its arrival will come the great mass of fruit drays rushing hither and thither in all directions, on all sides of the street and menacing the life and limb of the poor slow pedestrian. Now is the time for the Town Council to take action and remedy this state of affairs hand-ed down from the "Rube Village" days.

At the present time the "Jay Drivers" drive and wander all over the street in a hapless, shapeless manner and as a consequence a pedestrian has a hard time making his or her way back and forth across the street. The fruit growers and farmers and automobile drivers are to blame to a certain extent, but the town fathers are more to blame and the have never made an effort

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Facts and Fancies
By Frank Fairborn

Grand Duke Nicholas Dismissed:

The Russian Revolution is still sweeping on peacefully and successfully.

It looks as if the days of the Russian Monarchy have been numbered and that the future government of the country will be of the republican form.

The new parliament of the people are waging an energetic war against the old traitorous ministers officials and German spies and it looks now as if Russia would in the near future be able to take the place in the war that she is entitled to and throw her whole strength against the enemy instead of being hampered and handicapped by traitors and spies in the confidence of the government as has been the case in the past.

One regrettable event has taken place and that is the dismissal of the Grand Duke Nicholas from command of the armies. This is a general for whom I have the greatest respect and I believe that the present war has developed no finer soldier nor more clever strategist than the Grand Duke Nicholas.

Shortly after the abdication of Emperor Nicholas the Grand Duke reached St. Petersburg and was made commander-in-chief of the whole army, but within a week the new government rescinded his appointment on the ground that he was too closely connected with the Romanov Dynasty, he being a close relative of the late emperor.

I consider this a mistake on the part of the new government inasmuch as the Grand Duke was largely responsible for the abdication of the Emperor Nicholas, he having advised the Emperor very strongly to give the people the freedom that they asked for, and by this line of action he showed himself to be thoroughly in accord with the wishes of the people, and if his sentiments were right, I do not think that the relationship to the reigning sovereign should have prejudiced the government against him. However, the government is on the spot and I am not, and the government is in power and I am not, so the Grand Duke Nicholas has to go.

British Ships Still Going Down:

In spite of all that the British Admiralty can do the German submarines is still a serious menace to the shipping trade. The last report of the Admiralty showed that twenty-four ships had been sunk in the previous seven days.

I am still firmly of the opinion that the only real solution of the submarine menace is the sending out of all passenger and freight boats in fleets. Some considerable time ago I wrote to the Naval Service in Canada asking them to urge on the British Admiralty the idea of organizing the whole of the Empire into fleets. I received a reply that the suggestion had been sent on and that from information to hand the Admiralty was working on a similar idea.

From that day to this I have been watching for something to the effect that British shipping was being organized into fleets but have seen nothing to that effect.

The Admiralty some time ago decided not to publish a list of the ships sent down from day to day but to issue a list at the end of each week. The result is that the public does not know what ships are sunk nor where they are sunk but at the end of each week the total number sunk is given out.

I am quite satisfied that when twenty-four ships are sunk in seven days that the Admiralty has not organized the shipping as suggested for I feel quite sure that if shipping was handled in fleets that the submarines would not be able to sink twenty-four boats in a week.

Of course twenty-four boats sunk out of five thousand, five hundred coming and going is not a very large percentage but it is twenty-four boats and it is also twenty-four boat loads which is a most serious thing. The last Admiralty report shows that about two thousand two hundred ships arrived at British ports during the previous week and about two thousand three hundred ships departed, making a total arrival and departure of about five thousand five hundred in a week. 24 would be less than half of one per cent, and seems insignificant when you study it on the percentage plan but the total number of cargo carried by these twenty-four boats is a most important item and some of this cargo was very probably stuff that was badly needed either by the British people or by the British or French army.

Some time ago I stated that I had not heard of nor read of a consorted ship having been sunk or even attacked by submarines and up to date I have not heard of submarines attacking ships that were consorted by cruisers or destroyers. This being the case the proper way to avoid the submarines would be by organizing all of the shipping in and out into fleets and escort each fleet with a couple of cruisers and several destroyers and chasers.

When the submarine warfare was resumed actively in February had the United States organized her shipping into fleets accompanied by war vessels an enormous amount of goods could have been delivered in the past two months across the Atlantic that are still lying in American harbors because the government is afraid to send the ships out.

The United States government is preparing to arm their merchant vessels but how much better would it be to send these merchant vessels out in fleets accompanied by cruisers and destroyers. A lone armed merchant vessel may easily become a victim of a submarine. Lots of vessels are sunk without the submarine ever coming to the surface and unless the submarine comes to the surface the armed merchant vessel would have no chance to fight it whereas if merchant vessels sent out in fleets armed or unarmed and accompanied by cruisers, submarines would be loath to attack them and if they did attack their chance of escape would be small and their chance of destroying the cargo of the struck vessel would also be small.

It has been proven in every department of this war that organization was a winner and it is just as necessary to organize the shipping trade as any other department.

The Potato Question:

The potato question has become a very serious one for Canada the first time in many years. The excessive wet followed by the excessive dry weather in 1916 cut down the potato crop in Ontario to the smallest point that it has reached in the past forty years. This situation was further aggravated by the tie-up of transportation facilities during the winter so that potatoes from outside provinces could not be brought in as quickly as otherwise would have been the case. The result of the union of these conditions has been that potatoes have raised to almost prohibited prices and dealers who had a few of them further augmented the prices by holding them as much as possible.

In the meantime the United States, Cuba, and outside points were buying potatoes from the Eastern provinces and paying big prices for them so that at one time it looked as if there was going to be a real potato famine in Canada.

It was reported about a month ago that the government intended to put an embargo on the export of potatoes in order to save enough in Canada for feed and seed purposes but a statement issued by the minister of Agriculture pointed out that there was no scarcity of potatoes in Canada, that there was ample to supply for feed and seed and that the scarcity in some localities was caused by the tie-up in transport.

If this is the truth potatoes should very soon come down in price because if there are plenty of potatoes in Canada there is no need that the price should be over two dollars per bag. If this statement is true it would also appear to be wise for local men who have potatoes to sell now because when spring advances transportation will become easier and prices may be expected to drop. If the statement issued by the minister of Agriculture is not true prices may remain as high as they are now or even go higher.

Whether there are plenty of potatoes in Canada or not it is ridiculous that potatoes should be sold at four dollars and four dollars and fifty cents per bag. This is war time and the Government has a perfect right to control the price of food in war time and it is nothing more than the proper function of a Government to see that poor people are not cheated out of one of the principal articles of food in order that the millionaires and other wealthy people may have plenty of potatoes at four dollars per bag.

If there are not enough potatoes in Canada then the Government should have stopped the export of them long ago and set the price at a reasonable amount per bag at which the potatoes should be sold. If there are plenty of potatoes in Canada then the plan of the Government should be to prevent speculators from holding them to the detriment of poor people who certainly cannot afford to buy potatoes at four dollars per bag.

The Government is calling on the people to produce food stuffs and money is being spent lavishly in advertising in order to increase the quantity of food stuffs but how are people going to plant a big acreage with most of the seed three and four times the price that it is actually worth. The lowest price at which seed potatoes has yet been offered is four dollars per bag. It takes ten bags of potatoes to plant an acre. That means that a man has got to invest forty dollars in seed before he can start to the field to plant an acre of potatoes. Considering the unreliability of the seasons a man would almost be wiser to let the speculator keep the seed than to buy it, pay the freight on it, plant it and run the risk of ever getting his money back.

The same thing applies to almost any other kind of seed. Beans are worth seven dollars per bushel, wheat is worth two dollars per bushel, peas are worth two dollars and a half per bushel, seed oats are worth close to one dollar per bushel.—Lots of land will lie idle through Ontario simply because the owners of the land cannot put up the price to buy the seed and hire the help to plant the land and take care of the crop. If the Government wants to increase the production they have got to take some steps to provide seed at a reasonable price.

I know well-off men who intended to plant a considerable acreage of potatoes and yet these men are figuring which would be wiser to "seed-saver" the potato crop entirely, or to pay four or five dollars per bag to pay an enormous price for help and run the risk of getting a good crop or a poor crop.

If the man who is well-off hesitates on a proposition of this kind, what must the man do who is not well-off? What must the man do who is scarcely able to secure money enough to buy seed at reasonable prices let alone at unreasonable prices?

If the Minister of Agriculture was speaking the truth when he was reported to have said that there was no scarcity of potatoes in Canada then it is quite pertinent to ask why are potatoes four dollars per bag?

There can be two answers to this: First, lack of transportation; second, potatoes being held for speculation purposes. In either case it is up to the Minister of Agriculture to get busy and help the farmers to get seed if he expects them to increase the food crop of the country this year.

District Summary

Welland will have mail delivery after it becomes a city.

Welland will celebrate its inauguration as a City on Dominion Day.

Bridgeburg's total subscription to the patriotic fund was \$19,866.

The Model Dress House of Toronto went to locate a factory in Toronto.

St. Catharines Tax Rate for 1917 is 25 mills.

Welland County Council recently paid a bounty to J. H. Stephens for the capture of a horse thief.

The 116th Battalion for the sixteenth time has been warned to prepare to go East.

Fourteen Welland County houses have applied for standard licenses for 1917.

St. Catharines police are hard after the boys and men who persist in riding bicycles on the sidewalks.

Welland County will spend \$62,000 on construction of new roads and \$5,000 for maintenance this year under a system of their own.

Welland County Council has decided to discontinue construction work on Welland roads under Good Roads system and devote all its money to maintenance.

A. C. de Luca, Port Dalhousie, is suing the Canadian Express company for \$175 for the loss of a number of fancy chickens which he exhibited at the Beamsville poultry show last winter. De Luca claims negligence on the part of the company's employees at Merritton in letting the coop his birds were being shipped home to remain too long in the cold, resulting in the birds' death. The above was clipped from an English paper which was the address of a clergyman on his tour of Canada.

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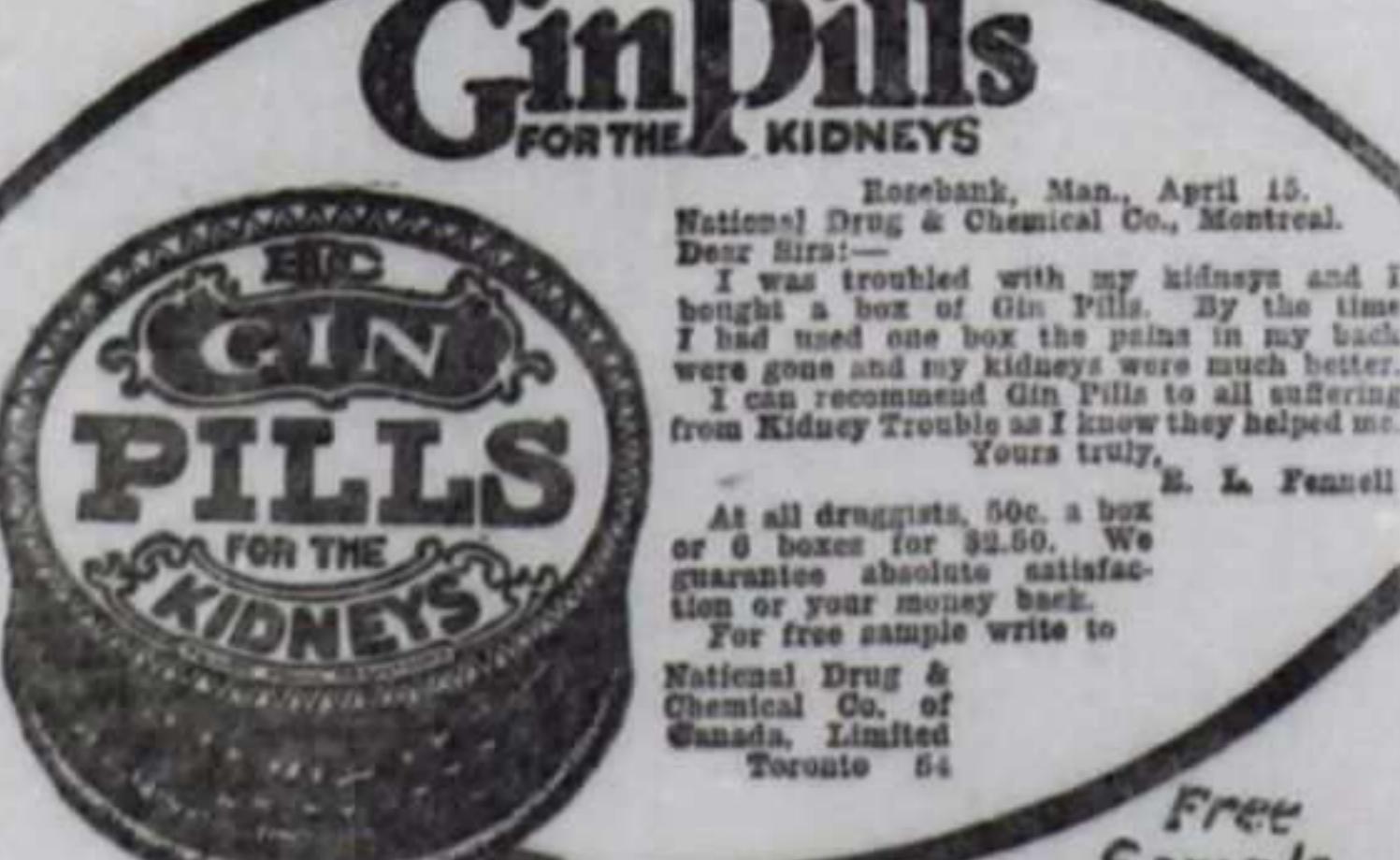
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Gin Dills FOR THE KIDNEYS



A female customs inspector has suddenly appeared on the job at Bridgeburg and their is consternation in the camp of the ladies who have been in the habit of smuggling little things over from Buffalo.

St. Louis, March 24.—Unidentified persons broke into the Social Saengerhause, a German Club here today, and slashed to pieces a large picture of the German Kaiser, destroyed antiques and a large silk German flag and wrecked furniture.

St. Catharines Standard.—The first automobile fire truck should make its appearance in this district very soon as the Merritton Council has been notified that their new 40-horse power La France truck will be shipped to day and should arrive about Monday.

On account of their being no facilities for unloading such vehicles in Merritton it will be necessary to bring it to this city to unload. This truck will no doubt be watched by many from here owing to the council being now considering the advisability of purchasing a truck.

Mr. Allan Studholme has introduced into the Ontario Legislature an Act Respecting Barbers, which has received its first reading. This Act contemplates putting the Barbers of the Province under a Board of Examiners, whose duty it will be to see that they are fit and proper persons to shave and cut the hair of the general public. This board will grant licenses to whomsoever measures up to the standard of efficiency and cleanliness set up by the board.

Those desiring a license to set up a barber shop must cough up an examination fee of \$10.

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MAINLY FOR WOMEN

RICE VERSUS POTATOES

Rice a Good Potato Substitute. Difficulty of Making People Accept it Instead of the Time-honoured Tuber—Interesting Ways of Cooking to Avoid Monotony.

Alice, as everybody admits, is the logical potato substitute in these days when potatoes, once the humble standby of the poor as well as a daily visitor to the tables of the rich, have, with cabbages and onions, joined the ranks of truffles and French artichokes.

We eat potatoes because of the starch they contain. Rice, too, is a starchy food. Indeed, rice contains some three times as much starch as do potatoes—about 75 per cent., whereas potatoes rarely contain more than 25 per cent.

As a race, we are not very fond of rice. And it must be admitted that rice has, in itself, little flavor. However, when a moving-picture theatre, to gain publicity, doubtless, takes potatoes in payment for orchestra seats and onions for box seats, we must do something—we must accept some potato substitute, most of us, even if we don't like it.

Rice is cheap, it is easily prepared and it is starchy—hence it is the best potato substitute. And we must train ourselves to eat it or we must cook it in ways that are tempting, so that we shall eat it without effort. It has already been substituted, in plain boiled form, on the menus of some of the less expensive restaurants in the place of the dinner and the à la carte meat orders. The notice on the menu of one of these restaurants reads:

"On account of the scarcity of potatoes in the market we are compelled to substitute the following dishes: boiled rice, baked spaghetti. Customers to have their choice."

The trouble about all this effort to substitute rice for potatoes is that "Customers" don't usually want rice at all. They want potatoes. If they do eat rice, it is as an adjunct, not as a substitute. The dietician in a large college dormitory—which serves more persons than many restaurants—says that it is almost impossible to offer rice in place of potatoes, as so many of the students are not satisfied by it. They may like rice; that is not the point. They simply don't want it in place of potatoes.

Still, many of the less expensive restaurants have been forced to substitute it for potatoes and if their patrons do not want it they must pay a special price for potatoes. Perhaps this argument, made by money, will be a strong factor in teaching rice as a potato substitute.

The task of the housewife who wishes to use rice in place of potatoes is probably going to be difficult, for her family may not relish it as they do their accustomed tuber. But any family ought to be willing to cooperate nowadays to effect economies which will not injure health nor lessen happiness in any way.

On the other hand, the housewife or cook should plan to have rice prepared in varying ways so that it will never become monotonous. The Chinese and Japanese eat rice very much as we do potatoes—very much as the country dwellers, away from the variety markets offer, eat potatoes—plain boiled, two or three times a day. They—the Chinese and Japanese—also make many interesting dishes in which rice is combined with some other food that possesses decided flavor, which rice decidedly lacks. And that is what the American cook must do if she is to make rice palatable.

Rice, containing about 75 per cent. of starch, some woody fiber and water, sometimes a little gluten, makes an almost perfect food combined with egg or cheese, which provide proteins. A dish made in this way is good for the main luncheon course. Combined with milk and sugar, broth or vegetables, all of which give it flavor, it is an admirable adjunct to a meal where meat is served.

Rice must be thoroughly cooked. It will absorb from $\frac{1}{2}$ to four times its own bulk of liquid and it is a great mistake to try to cook it without enough liquid—water, milk, broth or tomato juice. If milk is used the rice must be cooked in a double boiler.

There are several methods for preparing plain boiled rice. In any event it must be thoroughly washed in several changes of cold water and drained. If possible it should be dried. Then it may be sprinkled slowly into actively boiling, slightly salted water and cooked without a cover for about 25 minutes. Drain it in a colander, pour it into a dish and pour over it a quart of cold water. Drain again and stand in a cool oven to dry. Some cooks cook rice in a double boiler and use only the amount of water that it will absorb. In this way it is not necessary to drain the rice and so the danger of making it soggy in the draining process is eliminated.

Rice croquettes are a pleasant variation from plain boiled rice and are especially good with chicken fricassee or a stew of lamb, mutton, beef or veal. To prepare them, cook one cupful of rice with a quart of milk in a double boiler until all the milk is absorbed. Season well with salt and pepper and a tablespoonful of chopped parsley and the yolks of four eggs, well beaten. Cool slightly, form into croquettes, dip in beaten eggs, roll in breadcrumbs and fry in hot fat. Drain and serve with a sprig of parsley stuck in each croquette if desired.

Plain boiled rice can be served at

dinner with strained tomato juice or tomato sauce mixed with it or it may be sprinkled with parsley.

Escalloped rice is one of the combination dishes that is especially desirable at luncheon. To make it, cook half a cupful of rice thoroughly, drain and pour into a buttered baking dish. Make white sauce with two tablespoonsfuls each of butter and flour and a cupful of milk. Cook until smooth and season with salt and pepper. Just before taking from the fire add half a pound of grated dry American cheese. Stir gently into the rice with a fork, sprinkle breadcrumbs over the top and bake until brown.

A rice and tomato dish with cheese is made by placing alternate layers of cooked rice and grated cheese, about a cupful of rice before it is cooked and half a pound of cheese, in a baking dish. Sprinkle well with salt and pepper and pour over all about a cupful of strained tomatoes. Bake for about twenty minutes in a hot oven.

Rice and nuts can be prepared in

GILLETTS LYE EATS DIRT



this way: Cook a cupful of rice until tender, drain and mix with a cupful of chopped pecan nuts. Season with salt and paprika. Add a cupful of strained tomato juice and bake for about twenty minutes.

Rice and onions can be served together as a vegetable course at dinner. Slice enough onions to fill a cup. Parboil and then chop fine. Add this to a quarter of a pound of uncooked rice and two cupfuls of boiling milk and cook in a double boiler gently for about two hours. Then add two tablespoonsfuls of chopped parsley and the stiffly beaten whites of two eggs. Put in a buttered baking dish, sprinkle with breadcrumbs and bits of butter and brown quickly in the oven.

For amusement parks there has been invented a wooden horse that travels over the ground with life-like motions as its rider operates levers in front of the saddle.

THANKS FOR LADIES OF EP-WORTH LEAGUE

Happy Valley,
Shoreham by Sea,
Feb. 9th, 1917.

Dear Mrs. Anderson,
and ladies of the Epworth League.
It gives me great pleasure in writing and to thank you one and all for the much appreciated Christmas Box, which I received on Feb. 5th inst.

It would be somewhat of a difficult matter for me to express on paper just how I felt as I lifted each article out of the parcel. The old memory of dear Grimsby and its ever willing and hard working ladies was very vivid. I wish to congratulate you for the excellent assortment, which I am sure was no easy task.

Doubtless the most of the 98 boys received your box before Christmas, and I can well imagine just how they would appreciate the contents.

You all no doubt have had news from our boys of B Company and have heard how they went forward and did their bit, for King and Country.

Many have gone to the Great Beyond, nevertheless their memory will always be with us. The cause is a just one, and I can assure you that our boys never made a flinch. They sacrificed their home and all those dear to him, but what is that when our honor and justice was at stake.

I want to assure all the ladies of Grimsby that their hard work of the past and of today, has not been in vain. Could you only visit the many Canadian hospitals in England, you would have the satisfaction of seeing and knowing that the Canadian soldier lacks for nothing and is receiving the best of treatment.

Many of our sons are back in "Blighty," and surely it must be a comfort to you all to know that it was through you, and all your labor that they are reaping the harvest.

It is a very grievous point with me to have to say that I am still in England, but I have not given up hopes. I am hoping that the day will come when a few of us which Fate has side tracked will be allowed to go forward and avenge our fallen brothers. At the present I am attached to the 64th Battalion stationed at Shoreham by Sea. The camp is situated in one of the picturesque parts of the South of England. We are surrounded on all sides by hills. This district at one time was a beautiful golf links which boasts of a magnificent club house. The name of Happy Valley, is very appropriate, and, although we have had very severe weather for the past four weeks, every man is bright and cheerful, and one and all are carrying out his promise which we so often sing. "Pack all your troubles in your old kit bag and smile, smile, smile."

Now ladies I have said more than enough so will close, and I again thank you for your thoughtfulness and kind remembrance.

Last but not least, may I say that the Sunday services, which we all so often attended, and the many hymns sung, have made us all think of you and days gone by. Our prayers daily are that this terrible struggle will soon come to an end, but not until victory has been ours. May God be with you all and protect and comfort you all in your hour of need.

Very sincerely,
Hartland Robt. Dickson.

THANKS
Pte. W. Merriday, 210590,
C Co. Machine Gun.
58th Bn. Canadians.
B. E. F. France.

Dear Mike,—

I am so sorry I have not been able to write before, but just a line to thank you for the Xmas stocking; also thank all the other children for me, and tell them I thought it awful good of them to have so much thought for the soldiers. I was one of the 98th Batt. and I belong to Welland. Also to thank you for the bar of soap which came in nice and useful. So good luck to you and many thanks.

Pte. W. Merriday.

RED CROSS WORK
Under the Woman's Institute

We shipped to Canadian headquarters Toronto, the following:

March 7.—42 suits pyjamas.

March 14.—48 Pairs socks to National Service for soldiers comforts.

There is always lots of work at the Council Chambers cut out and ready to sew. We sew every Wednesday at above mentioned place and if you can not come and stay the afternoon, come and take some garments home.

Think just a moment! Of what is happening on the Western Front at the present time and of the numberless garments needed for the wounded. Women of GRIMSBY is not this a time for WORK?

CAISTER CENTRE

The regular meeting of the Abingdon Women's Institute was held at the home of the president, Mrs. D. W. Nicholls on Wednesday, March 14th. Thirty-two members were present. After the usual business was transacted and the reports of the different committees received a short programme was enjoyed including a talk on "The Benefits derived from Women's Institutes," by Mrs. G. T. Packham; vocal duet, Mrs. Coon and Mrs. Nevills; piano solo, Mrs. M. Bush.

Red Cross work returned for last month consisted of 27 pairs socks, 33 pyjama suits and 27 day shirts. The meeting closed with "God Save the King." After which lunch was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. R. Waite on Wednesday afternoon, April 11th.

AUCTION SALE AT BEAMSVILLE

Acting for the administrators of the estates of the late Geo. M. Smith and the late Hershal G. Smith, Mr. Jas. A. Livingston, will offer for sale by public auction at the residence of Mrs. Geo. Smith, Beamsville, on Friday, March 30, 1917, a large quantity of household furniture and other articles belonging to the two estates. Bills containing list of the goods are now out. Sale commences at one o'clock. Terms six months credit. Jas. A. Livingston, auctioneer.

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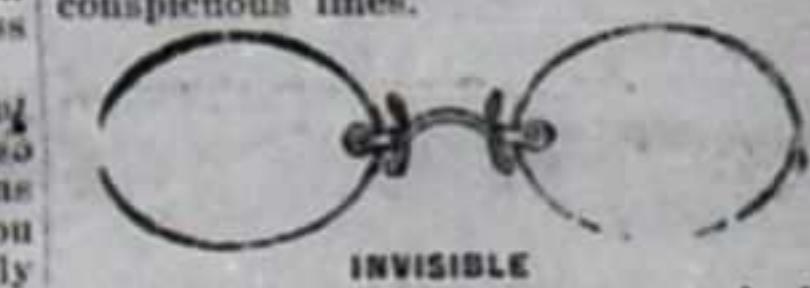
I was treated by a physician for a year and a half and he did me no good at all. I tried "Fruit-a-tives" as a last resort. After using three boxes, I was greatly improved and twelve boxes made me well. Now I can work all day and there are no Headaches, no Palpitation, no Heart Trouble, no Constipation, no Pain in Kidney Trouble and I feel a new being—and it was "Fruit-a-tives" that gave me back my health".

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LOCAL ITEMS

of Interest in and Around GRIMSBY

Miss Marie Flood spent the week-end in Toronto.

H. D. Walker spent the week-end in Buffalo.

Spraying will soon be going on full blast.

Mr. A. W. Moore's condition is very much improved.

Jas. Whitaker, of Hamilton, was a visitor in town on Monday.

W. J. Fleet was in Seaford on Tuesday and Friday last.

Mrs. Pearl Grobb, of Niagara Falls, N.Y., spent the week-end in town.

For Sale—32 Acre farm for sale or to rent. For particulars address Mrs. Stanton Macnor, Jordan Station.

Lost.—A fine walking stick, with a silver cap, inscribed. Finder please return to INDEPENDENT Office.

"Doe" Graham of St. Catharines was a visitor in Town last Wednesday.

Mr. Jas. A. Brough has sold his fruit farm, east of the town to Peter Fairlee, Brandon, Man.

It is rumored that Major Jack Cline will shortly leave England for France.

For Sale—Splendid eating or seed potatoes, no waste, all sound. For particulars apply to Leslie M. Nelles, phone 116, GRIMSBY.

Dr. N. F. Calder of Winnipeg and Dr. R. M. Callier of Petrolia, spent Sunday with their brother W. B. Calder, GRIMSBY.

For Sale—Leighrons. Good laying strain inquire for particulars. Phone 114, Beamsville.

For Sale—Asparagus plants. Covers Colossal 2-year-old, 100 lbs; \$3.00; 25.00. Herold's Farms, Beamsville, Ont.

C. and G. Supt. Robertson's men have been busy the past two days, scraping and cleaning the road and gutter on Main St.

For Sale—Eight-roomed house on large lot, electric light and village water, very easy terms. Apply E. Farwell, GRIMSBY.

Economy in buying groceries is very essential in these days of strife. So sayeth Robertson's Quality Grocery.

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THE CHURCHES

BAPTIST

Sunday, April 1, 11 a.m.—"The Joyous Life." 2:30 p.m.—Bible School.

7 p.m.—Rev. Ben. H. Spence will speak on the work of the Dominion Alliance.

Monday, 8 p.m., B. Y. P. U.

Wednesday, 4:15 p.m.—Mission Band.

Wednesday, 8 p.m.—The annual business meeting of the church which will include reports from all departments of church activity, election of officers, etc.

Golden Text: "I am the light of the world."—John 9:5.

For Sale.—A quantity of American banner oats, suitable for seed. W. Hopkins, Grassie.

Wanted—An apprentice for both millinery and dress making departments. The A. F. Hawke Co.

Mr. and Mrs. Palmer Merritt, of Attercliffe, spent the week end with relatives in GRIMSBY.

Wanted—Women and girls for tending grape vines. Apply evenings to Mrs. M. Pettit, Winona, telephone 4.

For Sale—A helper coming two-year-old, part Jersey; also goose. Apply to Holden Godden, Ridge Road, North GRIMSBY.

Send the INDEPENDENT to the boys in the trenches. It is better than "a letter from home." They appreciate the town paper.

Mr. John Kern, accountant in the Standard Bank, Trenton, Ont., spent the week end with his brother, Earl Kern, of GRIMSBY.

Wanted.—A man on fruit farm by the year or 8 months, start work April 15th. Apply to P. S. Benn, phone 125, GRIMSBY.

For Sale—One-horse dray in good condition with up-to-date rack. Apply to J. J. Syme Ave., telephone 338, GRIMSBY.

Our men's department is complete in new spring hats, suits, shirts, neckties and all other accessories of gentleman's wear, not omitting shoes. Give us a call, K. M. Stephen.

The death occurred at his home in New Philadelphia, Ohio, on Monday of Mr. Robert McCoy, father of Mr. Clinton McCoy of GRIMSBY at the age of 69 years. He was predeceased by his wife by two and a half months.

A feast of band music, more than usual, will be served up by that 44th Regt. band at their regular tea on Tuesday night next, April 3. Good assisting artists have also been serv-ed.

The Winona Women's Institute will meet at the home of Mrs. Howard Smith on March 29, at three p.m. Rev. A. O. W. Forman will be present to address the ladies. Come and bring your friends. Don't forget the prisoners' war fund.

On Tuesday, April 3rd, the Young Ladies Organized Class will be "At Home" in the lecture room of the Methodist Church. Tea will be served from 3:30 to 7 p.m. An invitation is extended to all. Come and bring your knitting.

Work is being rapidly pushed forward by D. Marsh & Sons, on the new factory buildings for the Metal Craft Co. The moulding shop is up and the earth floor put in. The main building will be finished this week and then the wire, lath and plaster will be put on.

Mr. V. R. Ellis having enlisted, Mr. Jas. Stevens of Beamsville, will act as our representative. Place your orders immediately in order to secure early delivery. Finest of stock. All true to name. Brown Brothers Company, Nurserymen, Ltd. Browns Nurseries, Ont.

F. G. H. Pattison, of Winona, has come to the front with a most excellent idea for planting and harvesting the crops this season. He suggests that all retired farmers in the cities and towns be called to a meeting and their services be asked to help on the farms. He believes a great amount of skilled farm labor can be secured in this way.

Red Cross—In addition to the report of shipments of articles by the Red Cross which appears in another column we have also to report an additional shipment on March 21st, of ninety sets of pyjamas, and forty-eight pairs of socks. All this was sent forward by the GRIMSBY Women's Institute, in connection with the Red Cross work.

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Fold line curtain rods and accessories. English Bungalow Nets. Clearing 17½ to... \$1.90

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Now is the time to select your Wall paper. Entire Stock must be cleared as we are discontinuing this line.

4000 Rolls Reg. 8¢ to 12½¢. Clearing... \$5¢ roll

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Best Scotch Oatmeals, 5 and 8 yd. rolls, 19¢ and... \$2.10

Binders and Ceilings to match at ½ price.

Modish Hats for Spring in Our Millinery Showroom--Second Floor

are shown in a fascinating array of original designs, featuring \$4.00 to \$9.00 the very newest colorings, etc. Prices

Dressy and Well Tailored Skirts

In black, navy and white in the season's smartest style with high waist and gathered back with wide belt. Regular \$6.75, Clearing... \$3.95

See our window display.

Fine Serge Suits in accordance with Spring's every demand

Tailored in this season's smartest styles. Either half or full belted back, large double collar. \$17.90 to... \$21.90

Dressy Blouses in white, yellow and orange \$1.19 and... \$1.50

Habitot Silk Crepe de Chene in all the newest shades and styles, \$3.00 to... \$6.00

Men and Boy's Spring Hats and Caps

Tweed caps, greys, browns, fancy checks, 50¢ to... \$1.50

Men's Silk Caps, plain grey, grey and green check, \$1.00 to... \$1.50

Boys' grey tweed caps, 50¢ and... \$1.50

Latest styles in men's Easter Hats, tawny, pearl grey, grey, brown, blues, green; flat brim stitched edging... \$2.00

Men's Soft Fedora Hats, all shades. Sale price 89¢, \$1.89, \$2.00 and... \$2.25

Boys' Felt Hats. Special, regular \$1.25, \$1.50, for... \$1.90

Full range of men's light weight spring overcoats. Slip on style, \$16.50 and... \$17.75

Headquarters for Cub and Boy Scout official uniforms and accessories. Orders taken and promptly delivered.

See our window display.

Wanted—Operators. Apply Local Manager Bell Telephone Company.

The Young Ladies Organized Class of the Grimsby Methodist Church will serve a ten cent Easter tea on

Tuesday, April 3rd, from 3:30 to 7 p.m. in the lecture room of the church. A pleasant afternoon is anticipated. Come and bring your knitting, every one welcome.

The "Moving Picture" exhibit of the Provincial Board of Health will be shown at Moore's Theatre, GRIMSBY, on Thursday, March 29, 1917, at 3 p.m. for school children, and at 8 p.m. for adults as well. Dr. McLean, District Medical Officer of Health, will address the meeting. Admission free.

To Rent—Seven acres of land mostly in bearing, situated on the Q. and G. Stone Road, one and one-half miles West of GRIMSBY, being part of the late A. H. Pettit Estate.

For further particulars apply to Mrs. E. A. Lancaster, Executrix for the Estate, St. Catharines, W. H. Pettit or P. H. Gamble, GRIMSBY.

Spring—Any one wishing the

Village to do their spraying may apply (in writing) immediately to me at the Council Chambers. As labour is scarce, we may not be able to do all of them. We are going to do them in rotation, according to application. Get yours in quickly. C. H. Bromley.

For Sale—Eggs for hatching. White Leghorn and Rhode Island Red, good laying strain. Also a lumber wagon and a few ten-pound tins of honey. Apply Johnathan A. Book, telephone 50 ring 2, GRIMSBY.

For Sale—Shavings suitable for bedding. Apply to Marsh's Planing Mills, G.T.R. Station, GRIMSBY.

A. F. Hawke is in Clifford, Ont., this week visiting his mother, who has been very ill.

Don't forget the masquerade ball in aid of the Red Cross in Sneltinger's Hall on Monday night next.

The "Down East" drama "The Minister's Bride" was repeated in Moore's Theatre on Friday night last, to a packed house.

For Sale—A worn mare, good in all harness. Apply to L. L. Hagar, telephone 281, Paton St., North, GRIMSBY.

For Sale—White Leghorn and Rhode Island Red, good laying strain. Also a lumber wagon and a few ten-pound tins of honey. Apply Johnathan A. Book, telephone 50 ring 2, GRIMSBY.

For Sale—A first-class sewing machine, the property of Miss Verna Ryckman. Price reasonable. The machine may be seen at the residence of Mrs. Chas. McCartney, John St., GRIMSBY.

For Sale—One brown horse, about eleven hundred pounds, suitable for fruit farming. Also one set of heavy double harness and a quantity of seed oats, O.A.C. No. 72. Apply to Geo. Howell at the Thirty, telephone 191 ring 12, Beamsville.

James Marlowe, J. W. Droke and C. W. F. Carpenter comprise a committee appointed by the district fruit growers to get an estimate on the number of college co-eds that can be utilized for fruit-picking the coming season. The committee had a conference with Miss Harvey, of the Hamilton labor bureau branch, on Saturday, and the girls will be on hand.

Consultation invited.

Proceeds from a series of Red Cross dances held during the Winter.

A PAGE OF HISTORY

COL. KONKLE AS A LAD OF 19 WAS A MEMBER OF THE MILITIA

He Fought Through the Battles of Stoney Creek and Queenston and Shortly After was Given his First Commission—Some Interesting Facts About the Cavalry Troop That Developed Into "B" Squadron 2nd. Dragoons.

THE STIRRING DAYS OF 1812-15

Some six or eight months ago an article appeared in the INDEPENDENT giving the history of what is now "Fighting B" Squadron, 2nd. Dragoons. At that time Mr. J. D. Bennett, of Beamsville, informed us that the history was far from complete and offered to assist us in digging up further historical records, and to him we must extend our thanks for the following article.

This article deals mainly with the late Colonel Adam Konkle of Clinton Township, now deceased.

Col. Konkle, as lad eighteen or nineteen years of age was a member of a troop of cavalry, attached to the 4th. Regt. Lincoln Militia, and fought through the battle of Stoney Creek and Queenston Heights. Shortly after this he was given the Commission of Ensign under Col. Nelles and in 1830 was made Captain under Col. Nelles. In 1837 Captain Konkle became Major Konkle under Colonel Adams, who died in 1838 and in 1859 Major Konkle became Col. Konkle and remained in the active militia forces for a number of years dying in 1888 at the ripe old age of 96 years and some months.

Following Captain Konkle in command of the troop (now known as "B" Squadron) came Zimmerman, Conrad Teeter, George Book, W. H. Patterson, Eli Gregory, Pollard Gregory, the Burchs of St. Anna and last "B" Squadron's present commander, Major Brooks, now Lt.-Col. Brooks of the Canadian Mounted Rifles.

The stirring days from the war of 1812 upwards for thirty years, along with names of members of the Troop are very ably told in an article clipped from the INDEPENDENT of February 19, 1902, and reproduced here exactly as written at that time by Mr. Bennett.

We also reproduce facsimiles of the different commissions granted to Col. Konkle.

CAPT. KONKLE'S TROOP Interesting Reminiscences of the War of 1837-1838.

Beamsville, Feb. 17, 1902

Editor Independent:

Sir—in answer to a communication from Lagersoll which appeared in The Beamsville Express under date of Jan. 28th, 1902, referring to Capt. Konkle's Troop during the rebellion of 1837-37, and giving a list of names of those of which that Troop was composed. I take pleasure in complying with correspondent's request and am able to add many names to the list of those mentioned by him.

OFFICERS

Capt. Adam Konkle; Lieutenant Hugh Hunter, Grimsby; Ensign Jeremiah Zimmerman, Clinton; Sergeant George Muir, Corporal Mathias Durham, Clinton.

Privates, Clinton Township.

Henry Konkle, brother of the Captain; Adam Konkle and Mathias Konkle, sons of the Captain; Walter Summer and Robert Summer, Robert Henry, Brock Henry and Wm. Henry, James Patterson and Comfort Patterson, Wm. Snyder and Mathias Snyder, Geo. Teeter, Conrad Teeter, Abraham Teeter and Isaac Teeter, Ira C. Coose, Benjamin Wilcox and Hamilton Wilcox, John Adair, Joseph Adair, Wm. Zimmerman, Richard Hare, Buffalo Jim House, David B. Smith, A. Overholst, and John Fisher, Trumpeter for Troop.

Privates, Grimsby Township.

James G. Pettit, Wm. Pettit, Jonathan Pettit and Asa Pettit, Isaac Walker and John Walker, Robert F. Nelles and J. A. Nelles, Robert Crooks and Wm. Crooks, Brock Palmer, J. Lawrence, Jacob Book, Wm. Henry, Henry Hixon, John Nixon, Joseph Moore, Robert Bennett, John Foster and Charles Woonerton. On the 10th. of February of the present year the writer took a run-up into North Grimsby and had a chat with Sergt. George Muir, who is still in that township at the ripe old age of 92 years. He found the veteran though bed-ridden with rheumatism and nearly blind, full of enthusiasm when the disturbances of 1837-38 were talked about, and he gave the writer many interesting reminiscences of those stirring times.

Yours very truly,
Jas. D. Bennett.

MR. GEO. MABEY FED THE SOLDIERS

Through the courtesy of Mr. Charles E. Mabey, of GRIMSBY, we are allowed to publish two very interesting old documents that he has in his possession. These letters bring back to memory the stirring times of '66' when the Fenians tried to take us alive, but failed.

The letters were addressed to Mr. George Mabey, now deceased, father of Messrs. Charles and S. E. Mabey, of GRIMSBY. They are as follows:

Commissariat, Hamilton,
6th August, 1866.

Mr. Mabey:

Sir:—I enclose on a cheque for £178. 6s. 7ps. etc., for bread and meat supplied at Fort Erie. Please receipt the vouchers and return them to me by return of post.

Yours faithfully,
J. S. MARSTON,
PM.

Mr. Geo. Mabey,
Grimsby, C. W.

Commissariat, Toronto,
18th. August, 1866.

No.—841.

It is probable that about 52 officers and men and 36 horses proceeding from Toronto to Thorold will encamp at Grimsby some day next week be prepared to attend to them on short notice. Perhaps a similar party may return from Thorold. A light wagon will be required to proceed to Thorold with baggage and one to Hamilton with the party exchanging. I suppose if necessary, you can do this.

I am Sir.
Your obedient servant,
F. G. SWAN,
A. C. G.

Mr. Mabey,
E. Grimsby,
P. L. U.

COL. KONKLE'S COMMISSION

Sir Peregrine Maitland, Knight Commander of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

TO ADAM KONKLE, GENT. GREETING:

Reposing especial confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and Good Conduct, I do hereby appoint you to be Ensign in the Fourth Regiment of Lincoln Militia during pleasure, and of which Regiment Robert Nelles, Esquire, is Colonel. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Ensign,..... by exercising, and well disciplining both the inferior Officers and Men of the said Militia.—And I do hereby Command them to obey you as their Ensign. And you are to observe and follow all such Orders and Directions a s you shall from time to time receive from me, or any other your Superior Officer, according to Law.

Given under my Hand and Office Seal at York this twenty-sixth

Day of April in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and twenty-two and in the Third year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

J. Hillier.

P. MAITLAND.

Sir John Colborne, Knight Commander of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

TO ADAM KONKLE ESQUIRE. GREETING:

Reposing especial confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and Good Conduct, I do hereby appoint you to be Captain in the Troop of Cavalry attached to the 4th. Regiment of Lincoln Militia (taking rank and precedence from the 1st. October, 1829) during pleasure, you are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Captain by exercising, and well disciplining both the inferior Officers and Men of the said Militia.—And I do hereby Command them to obey you as their Captain. And you are to observe and follow all such Orders and Directions as you shall from time to time receive from me, or any other your Superior Officer, according to Law.

Given under my Hand and Office Seal at York this eighth Day

of January in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Thirty one and in the first year of His Majesty's Reign.

By His Excellency's Command.

L. Melde.

J. COLBORNE.

Sir John Colborne, Knight Commander of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

TO ADAM KONKLE ESQUIRE. GREETING:

Reposing especial confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and Good Conduct, I do hereby appoint you to be Captain in the Troop of Cavalry attached to the 4th. Regiment of Lincoln Militia (taking rank and precedence from the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven). You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Captain by exercising, and well disciplining both the inferior Officers and Men of the said Militia. And I do hereby Command them to obey you as their Captain. And you are to observe and follow all such orders and directions as you shall from time to time receive from me, or any other your Superior Officer, according to Law.

Given under my Hand and Office Seal at Montreal this seventh day of

July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven and in the eleventh year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command.

D. Macdonell, Lt. Colonel,

By Adj't. Genl. Militia

ELKIN & KINCARDINE

Sir John Colborne, Knight Commander of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

TO ADAM KONKLE ESQUIRE. GREETING:

Reposing especial confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and Good Conduct, I do hereby appoint you, during pleasure to be Major in the Third Battalion of Lincoln Militia, taking rank and precedence from the fourteenth day of April one thousand eight hundred and forty-seven. You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Major by exercising, and well disciplining both the inferior Officers and Men of the said Militia. And I do hereby Command them to obey you as their Major. And you are to observe and follow all such orders and directions as you shall from time to time receive from me, or any other your Superior Officer, according to Law.

Given under my Hand and Office Seal at Montreal this seventh day of

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By Command.

D. Macdonell Lt. Colonel,

By Adj't. Genl. Militia

EDMUND WALKER HEAD.

Sir John Colborne, Knight Commander of the most Honorable Military Order of the Bath, Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Upper Canada, and Major General Commanding His Majesty's Forces therein, &c. &c. &c.

TO MAJOR ADAM KONKLE of the Third Battalion, Lincoln Militia. Greeting:

Reposing especial confidence in your Loyalty, Courage and Good Conduct, I do hereby constitute and appoint you, during pleasure, to be Lieutenant Colonel, in the Militia Force of the Province of Canada, taking rank and precedence in the said Militia, from the Sixteenth day of December, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-eight.

You are therefore carefully and diligently to discharge the duty of Lieutenant Colonel by exercising and well disciplining the inferior Officers and Men of the said Militia.

And I do hereby command them to obey you as their Lieutenant Colonel. And you are to observe and follow all such orders and directions as you shall from time to time receive from me, or any other of your Superior Officers, according to Law.

Given under my Hand and Office Seal at Toronto, this twenty-eighth day

of May, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine, and in the twenty-second year of Her Majesty's Reign.

By Command.

D. Macdonell Lt. Colonel,

By Adj't. Genl. Militia

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D. Macdonell Lt. Colonel,

By Adj't. Genl. Militia

EDMUND WALKER HEAD.

ONLY ONE MAN LIVING TO-DAY WHO DINED WITH SIR JOHN A. MACDONALD IN 1860

Circular Sent Out at That Time Contained Names of all the Prominent Men in the District of Whom Mr. Richard Peterson of St. Catharines is the Only Survivor—Sir John was Attorney-General of Canada West at that time.

DINNER HELD IN STEPHENSON HOUSE

We print below an exact duplicate of a circular sent out to residents of that time, for the purpose of arranging a dinner to be given in honor of The Hon. John

In The Spring

Soldiers on the Battlefield.

"There is no greater patriot—not even the soldier on the battlefield—than the man who battles with the stubborn soil and makes it yield for the support of the nations." We have in Canada a power of dominion in our resources that will make the power that comes with strategy, brute force and armament insignificant if we know what we have and use it wisely, as we will make others dependent upon us.

The stomach is the center of the body from which radiates our vitality, strength, our fighting strength. A healthy stomach turns the food we eat into nourishment for the blood stream and the nerves. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery refreshes and tones up the stomach walls. Removes the poisonous gases from the system.

The first day you start to take this reliable medicine, impure germs and accumulations begin to separate in the blood and are then expelled through the liver, bowels and kidneys.

Get Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery to-day from any medicine dealer; it is a powerful blood purifier and tonic.

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Sold by medicine dealers in liquid or tablet form, or send 50 cents to Dr. Pierce's Invalids' Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y., for a trial box of tablets.

Send fifty cents (or stamps) to pay for wrapping and mailing a copy of the Common Sense Medical Adviser, in cloth binding, 1008 pages, with color plates.

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34 King St. W., HAMILTON**ONE MILLION DOLLARS LIMIT OF ST. CATHARINES' GOOD ROADS BURDEN**

An important conference took place in the county buildings on Monday afternoon when all the members of the city council except Ald. Smith, Westwood, and Gibson, together with the county council, met Mr. W. A. McLean, deputy minister of highways for Ontario, to discuss the question of suburban areas upon which the city will be required to bear a portion of the cost of the building and maintaining of several proposed permanent highways in the County of Lincoln outside the city.

The chief development of the conference was the clearing of the doubt as to how much financial responsibility could be placed upon the city. Mr. McLean made it clear that the city could not be burdened for this purpose in any one year for an amount exceeding one mill on the dollar for both construction and maintenance.

In the course of his remarks Mr. McLean said:

"It has been said that a man is known by the company he keeps. The same principle is applicable to cities. For example, this visitor to Canada judges of Canada by what he sees of Ottawa, and he judges of Ottawa by what he has seen of Canada.

An opinion of Ontario is formed by what the visitor sees of Toronto and an estimate of Toronto is based upon what the traveller has seen of Ontario. In the same way St. Catharines is judged by the County of Lincoln. The County of Lincoln is appraised by what the visitor sees in the City of St. Catharines.

"But in order that there should be effective association between the city and the county there must be an ease one with the other roads and in order that the City of St. Catharines may avail itself of the advantages of the surrounding townships of Niagara, Grantham and Louth there must be good roads over which traffic and travel can flow.

"While it is desirable that the Canadian northwest and northern Ontario should be filled up with settlers there is a field for colonization closer to the cities of old Ontario and a field that is more profitable to them. We know that the farms of Old Ontario are not cultivated to their greatest extent and in order that this may be done there is every opportunity to still further colonize Old Ontario districts close to the cities where the cities will reap the immediate advantage of the increased population. This increase of settlement close to the cities may be

Farmers' Responsibility

"As an illustration, a farmer residing two or three or four miles from a main highway is required to pay towards the construction and to keep it. He has a farm of one hundred acres and an average family of say five on the farm. We will take St. Catharines, a city of nearly 18,000 population, assessment of about \$14,000,000, and an area of twenty-five hundred acres. Now if this farmer out there on the farm of one hundred acres is required to pay towards this highway, all the municipalities including the cities, which benefit from the construction of these highways, should also contribute to the cost of this construction and upkeep. It is in the interest of the city to get in close connection with the county. It is also desirable that this main highway should be of a high standard. We do not propose that the city shall bear additional taxation as the Act provides that its contribution shall not exceed one-half mill on the assessment. We do not propose to extend all over the county, but merely to extend main arteries out of the city. If a township remote from a city can afford to pay three thousand dollars per mile on the improvement of a highway which amounts together with the government grant of forty-five per cent., would permit a total expenditure of five thousand dollars per mile, then surely it would be unfair to ask a city to contribute three thousand dollars per mile for construction of good roads in the suburban area, which amount together with the government grant of four thousand dollars per mile and the county share of three thousand dollars per mile would permit of the expenditure of ten thousand dollars per mile without casting too great a burden upon either the city or the county."

The Act has only been in force since January of last year so that it takes a little time to get the matter before the public. Toronto pays to York County roads, and also paid to \$250,000 to the Toronto-Hamilton highway. Hamilton has paid \$50,000 to the Toronto-Hamilton highway and is negotiating with the county at the present time. The city of Kitchener as a start, is contributing to 12 miles of road, Galt to 25 and there are one or two others.

RECENTLY—Part of said Lot number Fifteen in the Second Concession of said Township of North Grimsby and part of the original road allowance between said Lot Fourteen and Lot Fifteen in the Second Concession, and which said parcels are more particularly known and described as follows:—COMMENCING at a point in the said original road allowance at the distance of thirty feet on a course south eighty-one degrees thirty minutes east from the point where the east limit of said Lot number Fifteen in the Second Concession is intersected by the north limit of the said North Grimsby Company, thence north eighty-one degrees fifteen minutes west along the south limit of the said railway company's lands one hundred and eighty-two feet, thence north twenty-two degrees fifteen minutes west twenty-seven hundred and ten feet to said North limit of said Queenston and Grimsby stone road, thence north eighty-one degrees thirty minutes east along the said north limit one hundred and eighty-eight feet to the point of beginning, containing by admeasurement eleven and one-quarter acres more or less.

RECENTLY—Part of said Lot number Fifteen in the Second Concession is intersected by the southerly limit of the Queenston and Grimsby stone road, thence north eighty-one degrees thirty minutes west to said southerly limit of the Queenston and Grimsby stone road one hundred and eighty-eight feet; thence south twenty-two degrees fifteen minutes west to the top or brow of the mountain, thence easterly following the top or brow of the mountain one hundred and eighty-eight feet more or less to a point in the original road allowance distant thirty feet on a course south eighty-one degrees thirty minutes east from the east side of the said Lot number Fifteen in the Second Concession, and which said parcels are more particularly known and described as follows:—COMMENCING at a point in the said original road allowance at the distance of thirty feet on a course south eighty-one degrees thirty minutes west to the top or brow of the mountain, thence easterly following the top or brow of the 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